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Response to Restriction Requirement

Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed March 13, 2007 which set a one-month period for response that expires on April 13, 2007. No Extension of Time is believed to be necessary for the filing of this response. Applicants request consideration of the enclosed Amendments and Remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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